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PARIS AND EUROPE.—GALLEN & PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.

NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORDON, Melbourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.

SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & Co., Singapore. C. HAINES & Co., Malacca.

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Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 2,100,000 Dollars.

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman.—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.
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ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
For Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 " " "
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Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, February 15, 1882.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30th APRIL, 1852.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID-UP, £300,000.
RESERVE FUND, £200,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, Rue Bergère, PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at:
LONDON, BOULOGNE, SAN FRANCISCO,
MARSEILLES, BOMBAY, HONGKONG,
LYONS, CALCUTTA, HANKOW,
NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW,
MELBOURNE, and SYDNEY.

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The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

F. COCHINARD,
Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, February 8, 1882.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " " 4 " " "
" 12 " " 5 " " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

MANCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

ESTABLISHED 1824.

Capital of the Company £1,000,000 Sterling of which is paid up £100,000

Reserve Fund of £120,000

Annual Income £250,000

THE Underigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WIRE & Co.
Hongkong, October 15, 1882.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

MR. FREDERICK DEBLOIS BUSH is Admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this date, and Mr. GEORGE H. WHEELER is authorized to Sign our Name.
RUSSELL & Co.
China, 1st January, 1882.

NOTICE.

MR. J. LAMKE has been Admitted a PARTNER in my Firm, and the Business will be carried on from this date, under the Name of
STEIL & LAMKE.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. W. KERFOOT HUGHES in our Firm ceases on the 31st December last. The Business will be carried on, under the same Style, by Mr. WILLIAM LEGGE and Mr. EDWARD JONES HUGHES.

NOTICE.

WE Have been appointed AGENTS for the MITSUBISHI KAISHA, of Tokio, at this Port.
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

NOTICE.

THE Underigned have been appointed SOLE AGENTS for the Sale of their GOODS by Messrs KYNOC & Co., of WITTON, near BIRMINGHAM.
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, August 13, 1881.

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, February 1, 1882.

For Sale.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.

HAVE now a New and Large STOCK in the following Departments, viz.—
HOUSEHOLD STORES.
CROCKERY & BLACKWARE, and MORTAR, HUNTLEY & PALMER'S, and AMERICAN BISCUITS, and CRACKERS, SCOTCH OAT CAKES, MACKENZIE'S ALBERT BISCUITS, NEW MUSCATEL RAISINS and JORDAN ALMONDS, ELVAS PLUMS, DESSERT FRUIT in Syrup, NOYEAU and BRANDY, STILTON, GORGONZOLA, FINE APPLE and ALBERT CHEESE, NEW COSAQUES and CONFECTIONERY.

BRANDIES.—COGNAC, EXHAW'S, and HENNESSY'S.
WHISKIES.—BOURBON, BULLOCK LADIES, KINAHAN'S LL, and L. C. & Co.'s SPECIAL BLEND, RED HEART RUM, SQUARE FACE and OLD TOM.
CHAMPAGNE.—KOHNSTADT, REICHAU, CLARETS.—MEDOC, HAUT TALENCE, LAROSE.

Disfiling Department.—GENTLEMEN'S HOSIERY in MEDIUM and STOUT MERINO, SCOTCH WOOL and CASHMERE SHIRTS in FRENCH POINT, WHITE OXFORD, and LONG CLOTH, SCARVES, TIES, COLLARS, and HANDKERCHIEFS, FORTNES CHEVRETTIE and CAPE, DRIVING GLOVES, BRACES, UMBRELLAS, TRAVELLING BAGS and CASES, FELT and CORK HATS in New Shapes, WHITNEY and AMERICAN BLANKETS, OVERLAND, STEEL and LADIES' DRESS TRUNKS, PORTMANTEAUX, VALISES, BOOT-CASES, HAND BAGS, &c.

HORSE GEAR.—SADDLES, SPURS, STRAPPS, CLOTHING, BRIDLES, HARNESS, WHIPS, &c.
TENNIS SETS and BALLS, TENNIS RATS in Single, Double, and TRIPLE GUT, by FELTER, JEFFRIES, and AYRES, WHITAKER'S ALMANACS (to arrive by Gleniffer).

Flower and VEGETABLE SEEDS. TOBACCO.—GORE'S GOLDEN CLOUD, TURKISH MIXTURE, and BIRKENHEAD, PAC'S GOLDEN BARK.
THE REVISED TESTAMENT, hand somely bound.
NEW NOVELS and ANNUALS.

Hongkong, February 7, 1882.

Auctions.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned has received instructions from Sir George Major MERRILL, to Sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,
the 28th February, 1882, at 2 p.m., at his Residence, "Tidefield,"

The whole of his
HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c.,

comprising—
CROCKERY-COVERED DRAWING-ROOM SUITE.

BLACKWOOD MARBLE-TOP TABLES, CHINA GLASS, CHINA CLOCKS, HEARTY RUGS, PICTURES, GASOLINERS, and GAS BURNERS.

TRAVELLING EXTENSION DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, WHISKY, DINING and BREAKFAST SETS, TEA and COFFEE SETS, in Blue China, Glass and PLATED WARE.

DOUBLE IRON BEDSTEADS, CHILD'S COTS, WARDROBES, CHEST OF DRAWERS, CHINA GLASS, TOILET TABLE and GLASS, and MARBLE TOP WASHSTAND.

ONE WILSON & Co.'s HAND SEWING MACHINE.

ONE TELESCOPE by NOBLE, with ASTRONOMICAL EYE PIECE.

ONE DOUBLE BARRELLED, BREAK-LOADED 12-BORE FOWLING PIECE, in LEATHER CASE.

SHELLS, SHANGHAI POUDRY and FOWL HOUSE.

&c., &c., &c.

Catalogues will be issued, and the whole to be on view from 2 p.m. on Monday, the 27th Instant.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.

J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.

Hongkong, February 21, 1882.

Intimations.

HONGKONG RACES—1882.

Rule 15.—ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE for GENTLEMEN being Subscribers of £10, or upwards, to the Fund, Free for Non-Subscribers, \$5 for the Meeting. For Admission to the New Stand \$1 per diem.

Rule 16.—TICKETS of ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE to be had on application to J. THURBURN, Esq., Hon. Treasurer, and at the Gate on Race Days. No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Gate-keeper.

H. J. H. TRIPP,
Clerk of Course.

Hongkong, February 20, 1882.

RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will CLOSE for Public Business at 12 o'clock, Noon, TO-DAY, TO-MORROW and SATURDAY, the 23rd, 24th and 25th Instant.

For the "Oriental Bank Corporation."

GEO. O. SCOTT, Manager.

For the "Chartered Mercantile Bank of India, London and China."

JOHN THURBURN, Manager.

For the "Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China."

WILLIAM FORREST, Manager.

For the "Comptoir d'Escompte de Paris."

F. COCHINARD, Agent.

For the "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation."

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 23, 1882.

WANTED.

COMPETENT SURGEONS for STEAMERS and SAILING SHIPS, hence to Victoria, Portland and San Francisco.

For Particulars, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, February 22, 1882.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE First Annual General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, at 12 o'clock Noon, on MONDAY, the 6th day of March next, to receive a Statement of the Accounts of the Company to 31st December, 1881, and the Report of the General Managers.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 25th Instant to 6th March next, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 21, 1882.

Intimations.

1,557 tons, the building of which has just been completed at Aberdeen; and by the "Posang," of about the same tonnage, now approaching completion at Glasgow. These boats have been specially built for the more Southern Coast Trade that has Hongkong for its centre, and in connection with which the Vendors have already attained an important position.

The China and Calcutta branch of the Company's Service will take the place of the Steamers (their own or chartered) which Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. have run for upwards of twenty-six years, and which have carried the mails between China, the Straits Settlements, and India. This line is a valuable one, and is considered of growing importance, owing to the increasing passenger traffic and trade of China with the Straits Settlements and India. It is proposed to build two large and powerful Steamers, specially adapted to this branch of the trade, to take the place of the Chartered Vessels at present employed in the service, and the Directors expect that to accomplish this, and to make the desirable additions to the Coast and River Service, an outlay of £150,000 will be amply sufficient.

The earnings of the CHINA COAST STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S fleet during last year, the results obtained by Chartered Steamers on the lines so provided with tonnage, and the working of the Yangtze River Service, show good realised profits, and it may confidently be anticipated, with the substitution of European Vessels for the native Junk, that is taking place on the Coast of China, and the general expansion of the Carrying Trade in the Eastern Seas, and on the Rivers of China, that the Company will find ample scope for profitable enterprise.

The business, though still capable of great development, has the benefit of being a going concern, and active service is proceeding on all the lines indicated, bringing in a revenue out of which the Directors reasonably expect profits to pay Dividends, besides forming a Reserve Fund for Depreciation in the value of Steamers.

The following is the only Agreement that has been entered into by or on behalf of the Company:—

1. An Agreement dated 30th November, 1881, between WILLIAM KESWICK, Esq., on behalf of the CHINA COAST STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, the YANGTZE STEAMER COMPANY, and JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., respective Vendors of the concerns disposed of, of the one part, and JOHN LOUIE, Esq., on behalf of the Company, of the other part, by a Memorandum endorsed thereon dated 30th December, 1881, between WILLIAM KESWICK, Esq., on behalf of JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., of the one part, and JOHN LOUIE, Esq., on behalf of the Company, of the other part.

Copies of the above Agreement and Memorandum, of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the above-mentioned Valuation, can be inspected by intending Subscribers, at the Office of the Solicitors of the Company, Messrs. FRANKS & WILLIAMS, 5, Bank Buildings, E.C.

If no allotment is made the deposit will be returned, and if a smaller number of Shares be allotted than applied for, the surplus of the deposit will be applicable to the payment of the amount due on allotment. If any instrument is not duly paid the allotment will be liable to cancellation, and the payments previously made to forfeiture.

Application for Shares must be made in the Form accompanying this Prospectus, and forms may be had at the Office of the Company, and of the Brokers, Messrs. HOLLAND, BALFOUR & HAMILTON, 2, Cushman Court, Old Broad Street, London.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, 31, Lombard Street, London.

Messrs FRESHFIELDS & WILLIAMS, 5, Bank Buildings, London.

Messrs HOLLAND, BALFOUR & HAMILTON, 2, Cushman Court, Old Broad Street, London.

Messrs TURQUAND, YOUNGS & Co., 41, Coleman Street, London.

No. 1, EAST INDIA AVENUE, London, E.C.

THIS Company has been formed for the purpose of acquiring from the CHINA COAST STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, of Shanghai, and from Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. the Steamers specified in the Schedule attached hereto, together with the business of running Steamers on the Coast and Rivers of China, and between China, the Straits Settlements, and Calcutta.

The Directors believe such a consolidation of the various interests represented, and the making provision, by adding Steamers to the present fleet for meeting the growing requirements of a rapidly developing traffic in the Eastern seas, will render the business of the Company a remunerative investment.

The Nine Steamers of the CHINA COAST STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, as specified in the annexed schedule, have been valued at £140,000, to which £15,000 have been added for expense of delivering in China, £15,000 for the several cost of hulls, fittings, and other appliances at Shanghai, and from Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. the minor stations on the river Yangtze, together with £50,000, or a premium of 20.40 per cent. for the entire business and its connections, making a total of £220,000 the sum agreed upon with the Vendors, and of which amount it is arranged that they take £150,000 in fully paid-up shares of the Company.

The new Steamer "Seewoo" will be taken over at a valuation of £25,000, the "Pookang" at £32,500, and the "Posang" at £24,000.

THE CHINA COAST STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY was established in 1872 to unite shipping interests connected with North China, and has been successful in developing an important carrying trade between Foochow and Shanghai, and between Swatow and Shanghai, Chefoo, Tientsin, and Nanchang, on which lines six Steamers are employed.

The YANGTZE STEAMER COMPANY have three Steamers plying on the river between Shanghai and Hankow, and have hulls, boats, and every necessary facility provided at the various ports of call for prompt and efficient service in conducting a large carrying and passenger traffic. The Steamers are now, the "Taiwo" having been launched as recently as last May, and they have been designed to meet the special requirements of Chinese passengers and the native carrying trade.

The "Seewoo" is a new Steamer of 1,406 tons, built at Aberdeen, and despatched to China in February last, where she will shortly be joined by the "Pookang" of

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For Sale.

MacEwen, Frickel & Co.

Have Received For Sale.

CHRISTMAS STORES AND
NEW AND SEASONABLE
GOODS.

EX FRENCH MAIL STEAMER.

MUSCATEL RAISINS.

METZ FRUIT.

ASSORTED COCAQUES.

CAMPBELL & DOWN'S CONFECTIONERY.

BUTTER SCOTCH.

HONEY SCOTCH.

ROSE TOFFEE.

LEMON TOFFEE.

ROSE'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL.

PLUM PUDDINGS.

PATRAS CURRANTS.

VALENCIA RAISINS.

MACKINNON PEN.

LIVERMORE PEN.

LAWN TENNIS RATS.

LAWN TENNIS BALLS.

LAWN TENNIS SHOES.

EX STEAMER "Glenkyle."

STILTON CHEESE.

YORK HAMS.

CHRISTMAS CAKES.

TEYSSONNEAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.

ALMONDS AND RAISINS.

SMYRNA FIGS.

PICNIC TONGUES.

FILBERTS.

COCAUTINA.

VAN HOUTE'S COCOA.

LIGURES & LIPS COCOA.

FRENCH PLUMS.

HUNTLEY & PALMER'S BISCUITS.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

MINCEMEAT.

CHOCOLATE-MENIER.

SAUSAGES.

BROWN.

ISIGNY BUTTER.

DANISH BUTTER.

BREAKFAST TONGUES.

ANCHOVES.

ASPARAGUS.

SOUPS, &c.

WINE AND SPIRITS.

CHAMPAGNES.

HEIDENRICH'S MONOPOLY & WHITE.

SEAL.

VEUVE CLAMOT PONSARDIN.

JULES MIQUET & Co., jints & quarts.

CLARETS.

CHATEAU LA ROSE, jints & quarts.

CHATEAU LAFFITE, " "

JES. GRAVES, " "

BREAKFAST CLARET, " "

SHERRIES & PORT.

SACON'S MANZANILLA & AMON.

TILLADO.

SACON'S OLD INVALID PORT.

(1848).

HUNT'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.

1, 2 & 3 star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.

Bisquit Dubouché & Co.'s BRANDY.

FINEST OLD HOLLAND WHISKY.

KINAHAN'S LI WHISKY.

ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.

CHARTEUSE.

MARASCHINO.

CURACAO.

ANGOSTURA.

BONNET'S ORANGE BITTERS.

&c. &c.

EX AMERICAN MAIL.

FRESH ROLL BUTTER.

Eastern and Californian CHEESE.

BONNET'S CODFISH.

PRIME HAMS AND BACON.

RUSSIAN CAVIARE.

Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.

PEACH AND APPLE BUTTER.

PICKLED OX-TONGUES.

Family PIG-ROCK in Kags and pieces.

Pamper MACKEREL in 7 lb cans.

Bean Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans.

Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 24 lb cans.

Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.

Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage.

MEAT.

Stuffed PEPPERS.

Assorted PICKLES.

MINCEMEAT.

COMB HONEY in Original Frames.

Richardson & Robbin's Colored Potted.

MEATS.

Richardson & Robbin's Carried OYSTERS.

Lunch TONGUE.

McGee's Sugar LEMONADE.

Chin Chowder.

Smoked SALMON.

Green TURTLE in 24 lb cans.

&c. &c.

YACHT & PICNIC SUPPLIES.

CALIFORNIA.

CRACKER.

COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 6 lb.

tins, and loose.

Alphabetical BIS.

CUITS.

Fancy Sweet Mixed.

BISCUITS.

Ginger CAKES.

Soda BISCUITS.

Oyster BISCUITS.

Cracked WHEAT.

OATMEAL.

HOMINY.

CORNMEAL.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.

RYE MEAL.

SPECIALLY SELECTED.

CIGARS.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in

6 and 10 catty Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU at 25 cents p. lb.

SHIPCHANDLERY of every Description.

RIGGING and SAIL-MAKING promptly

executed.

Hongkong, January 25, 1882.

Intimations.

KELLAR & GUNARD,

THE

ROYAL ILLUSIONIST

COMPANY,

will

SHORTLY APPEAR.

Hongkong, February 6, 1882.

WANTED.

A Managing PARTNER for an Old

Establishment, with SHIRT MAK-

ING BUSINESS, with AERATED WATER

MANUFACTORY and GENERAL COMMISSION

AGENTS combined.

For full Particulars, apply to

"A. B. C."

c/o. Office of this PAPER.

Hongkong, January 26, 1882.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL

MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in

the above Company will be held at the

Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's

Road, at Half-past Three o'clock on the

Afternoon of TUESDAY, the 28th February

instant, to receive a Statement of Accounts

to the 31st December, 1881, the Report of

the General Managers, and to elect a Com-

mittee and Auditors.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, February 6, 1882. fe28

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 15th to the

28th February instant, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, February 6, 1882. fe28

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK

COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Ordinary Yearly MEETING OF

SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the

Offices of the Company, No. 14, Praya

Central, on WEDNESDAY, 1st March,

1882, at 3 p.m., for the purpose of receiving

the Report of the Directors, and a State-

ment of Accounts to 31st December, 1881.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company

will be CLOSED from the 15th instant to

the 1st Proximo, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. COOKE,

Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, February 13, 1882. mrl

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COAL MERCHANT,

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KEEPS on hand for Sale all Kinds of

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moderate rates; also has always Powerful

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Charge, either for special Purposes, Excu-

sions, or Towing.

Hongkong, January 13, 1882. jy13

WINDSOR HOUSE,

Nos. 18 and 19, BUSE, YOKOHAMA.

THE above well-furnished HOTEL con-

tains a fine view of the Harbour and

Shipping; and the building is surrounded

by a large Verandah, which makes this

resort the Coolest Hotel in the East.

Charges—From \$2.50 to \$4 per day.

Porter to land and ship Baggage.

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TEN BOOKS IN 1878 WANTED.

Apply at this OFFICE.

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Now Ready.

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The New Testament in Chinese.

Short Journeys in Szechuan.

The Emperor Chien, Founder of the Chi-

nese Empire.

Notes of New Books and Literary Intel-

ligence.

Notes and Queries—

On Chinese Oaths in Western Borrow-

ing.

Easy Sentences in the Hakka Dia-

lect.

Prohibition to hold Civil Office in One's

Native Province.

The Rise of the Mongol Dynasty in the

Hia Country.

Hung-wu, the Founder of the Ming

Dynasty.

A Catalogue.

Chinese Marriages and Betrothals.

Contemp. Character of Kwang

Tung of the Southern Sung Dy-

nasty.

An Organization for Taxing and Corvee

Purposes.

Chinese Courts.

Chinese Consist.

The Rule of Addressing Superiors.

The Corvee System.

"The Wisdom of Many and the Wit of

One."

The Title of an Abdicated Emperor's

Wife.

Wearied Students and Refreshing De-

votions.

Man-hets among a Tibetan Tribe.

The Kin Dynasty of Tungusic Origin.

Officers Selected by the 4th Sele-

ction.

A Waggon Emperor.

An Error in the Chinese Calendar.

Errata.

Books Wanted, Exchanges, &c.

Hongkong, January 18, 1882.

SAILOR'S HOME.

ANY Cast-off Clothing, Books, or

PAPERS will be thankfully received at

the Sailor's Home, West Point.

Hongkong, July 26, 1872.

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Hongkong, July 22, 1881.

Mails.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEGERIES

MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

POINT DE GALLE, COLOMBO,

ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT

SAID, SYRIAN PORT, NAPLES,

MARSEILLES, AND PORTS OF

BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA.

PONDICHERY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA

AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON MONDAY, the 27th of February,

1882, at Noon, the Company's S. S.

DELOMADY, Commandant PASCAULT,

with MAILES, PASSENGERS, SPECIES,

and CARGO, will leave this Port for the

above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for

London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-

cepted in transit through Marseilles for the

principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until

Noon of 28th February.

Cargo will be received on board until

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

11 a.m.—Hungarian leaves for Australia.
 4 p.m.—Chinking leaves for Shanghai.
 Miscellaneous.
 Noon.—Local Banks close.

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 FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
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Sole Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water,
 Gingerale, Potass Water, Sarsaparilla
 Water, and other Aerated Waters.
 The Manufacture is under direct and
 continuous European Supervision.
 Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

PASSENGERS arriving in Hongkong, or any
 other persons who may desire to con-
 sult the files of local, China, Japan,
 American, English, Indian or Aus-
 tralian newspapers, are invited to call at
 the "CHINA MAIL" Office, where over
 sixty newspapers, dailies and weeklies,
 from these countries, are now filed for
 reference.

The publication of this issue commenced
 at 7.50 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1882.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

[SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."]
 (Per E. E. A. & Co. Telegraph Co.'s Line.)
 FAILURES IN THE WHEAT AND COTTON TRADE
 AT NEW YORK.
 LONDON, Feb. 21.
 There is a semi-panic by mercantile fail-
 ures in New York in the Wheat and Cotton
 Trade.

RUSSIA SAYS SHE WILL KEEP THE PEACE.
 LONDON, Feb. 21.
 The official Messenger announces that
 Russia will continue a pacific policy.

PARLIAMENTARY RULES.—THE MAJORITY MUST
 EXCEED 100 WHEN MINORITY IS LESS THAN
 40.—HOUSE ADJOURNS.
 LONDON, Feb. 21.

Gladstone has proposed the Parliamentary
 Rules, but stated that he was willing to
 modify them so that when the minority was
 less than 100 the majority must exceed a
 hundred.
 Sir S. Northcote opposed, and after a
 long and animated debate the House agreed
 to adjourn.

BRADLAUGH AGAIN.
 LONDON, Feb. 22.
 Bradlaugh's expulsion almost unanimously
 demanded.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next AMERICAN MAIL, bringing San
 Francisco dates up to the 20th ult.,
 may be expected here on or about the
 27th inst.

The next FRENCH MAIL, which passed Cape
 St. James at 10 a.m. on 23rd, may be
 expected to arrive here on Sunday, the
 26th, per M. M. str. Yangtze. She
 brings London dates to the 20th Jan.

The Agent of the M. M. Co. informs us
 that the S. S. Yangtze left Saigon for this
 port to-day (Thursday) at 3 a.m.

The Superintendent of the E. E. A. &
 China Telegraph Company informs us that
 the French Mail steamer Yangtze (with
 the mail of 20th Jan.) passed Cape St.
 James at 10 o'clock this morning for Hong-
 kong.

It is not generally known that the *Diapryca*
kaki, or date plum, of China and Japan,
 otherwise known as the persimmon, is
 extensively employed in both these coun-
 tries for the production of an alcoholic
 beverage. This fruit has been recently in-
 troduced into Australia, where some trees,
 experimentally carried there, are already
 bearing fruit, and everything in connection
 with the same points to general success.

COREA would appear to possess the panacea
 for the ills of silver, a solution for its
 depression—gold. The "Forbidden Land"
 is described by a recent traveller to be a
 veritable *El Dorado* of mineral wealth—
 only waiting for the application of foreign
 skill and enterprise to make "loss in ex-
 change" a hackneyed phrase of the past!
 We trust that those who are buoyed up with
 hope may not be disappointed, and that the
 old adage, regarding those who live on
 hope dying of hunger, will not be realized
 in their instance.

It would be strange if France were now to
 desire a change in her relations with
 Annam, where her power is paramount and
 secure. She has obligations to fulfil to a
 country that has accepted her protection—
 not the least of which is the suppression of
 piracy which desolates the coasts of Ton-

quin. Her intentions in this respect were
 openly announced to the world last year
 when the French Chamber was called upon
 to vote the necessary supplies for the pur-
 pose. It appears to us, therefore, to be
 rather late in the day to cry out against
 French aggression in Cochinchina.

The partiality of the Chinaman for onions
 is only equalled by that of the Spaniard for
 garlic. It may therefore interest some of
 our Celestial friends to learn that in a
 climate corresponding to that of Southern
 China, Italian onion seed has proved a great
 success, producing bulbs sixteen and seven-
 teen inches in circumference. There was
 nothing approaching anything like this size
 among the exhibits of this class at the
 recent local Horticultural Show. The
 largest onions we have as yet seen in
 Hongkong were some imported from Cali-
 fornia—slightly impaired, however, by the
 long voyage.

SIAM lately set an example to surrounding
 Native Governments worthy of imitation,
 which, we trust, will not be lost upon that
 of China. During the recent outbreak of
 cholera in Siam, the Government of that
 country supplied medical aid and medicines
 gratis to the great bulk of the population
 within the infected area. This timely as-
 sistance was afforded by means of travelling
 —floating—dispensaries, which visited all
 the afflicted localities distributing relief.
 This meritorious work, doubtless, reduced
 the heavy mortality which invariably fol-
 lows such epidemic visitations everywhere,
 but more especially in the East.

In her treaty relations with Annam and Cam-
 bodia, France has taken precautions, either
 expressed or understood, to facilitate Geo-
 graphical and Scientific research in unknown
 parts of the interior of these countries.
 There can be no question that she has
 largely availed herself of the privileges thus
 accorded to travellers and servants. The
 River system of Cochinchina has always
 had a peculiar interest to strangers, not the
 least interesting portion of which is that
 connected with the Donnai, on a branch of
 which Saigon, the capital of French Cochin-
 China, is situated. M. Neis and Suptans
 have lately traced the course of this
 river to its source, which is 300 miles in a
 straight line from the nearest point of
 French Territory; but this discovery is said
 to be eclipsed by the more recent investi-
 gations, further up, of M. Blane, which the
 world anxiously awaits to see detailed in
 print. Rumour would have it that a secret
 French expedition is now wending its way
 towards Burma; but we cannot vouch for its
 accuracy.

WHAT are the legitimate purposes for which
 a Government Gazette may be employed?—a
 question frequently asked in Hongkong,
 and to which we shall endeavour to frame a
 reply. It was never intended that the
 Official organs should be utilized to aid the
 conceit or abate the egoism of any individual
 —no matter how great the office or high the
 dignity he may, by a frank of fortune, hap-
 pening to hold or represent. The *Hongkong*
Government Gazette has become a record of
 the Governor's "Letters and Speeches."
 Its misappropriation to this end has be-
 come quite notorious. Sir John Pope Hen-
 nessy has determined that his foot-
 prints will be impressed upon something
 more durable than the mere *word* of time.
 He hopes to see his name—his name which
 is so very dearly—cashmired, in Duffy's
 "Library," as an "Orator of Ireland"! His
 Excellency would save himself from dis-
 appointment by simply remembering that
 the "small-minded"—despite ingenuity—
 cannot attain to anything beyond "poor
 mediocrity." For, those who grasp at
 trifles, to magnify their importance—to
 make "much ado over nothing"—are in-
 variably found, when weighed in the scales
 of unprejudiced public opinion, to be
 wanting in honesty or sense, or perhaps
 both. The verdict in such a case invariably
 is—"worth very little!"

It cannot elicit surprise that our Australian
 Colonies, including New Zealand, should
 be outside the Postal Union. This neces-
 sarily involves an extra charge for "re-
 direction." The Postal Treaty in Queens-
 land has been altered on no less than three
 different occasions, lately—all within the
 period of a single year! But this and the
 other Colonies have made a concession to
 the Press which is worthy of adoption here
 and elsewhere—viz., exempting Colonial
 newspapers from inter-Colonial postage,
 provided that they are posted within a
 week of publication. It is an interesting
 fact deserving of notice that the local and
 inter-Colonial telegraphic rates in Aus-
 tralia, proper, are probably the lowest in the
 world.

WHAT has become of the Governorship of
 Labuan, which has been for some time
 vacant, and the appointment actually going
 a-begging among the eligible? The British
 Borneo Company has increased our interest
 in the Island of Borneo, which should be
 considerably enhanced by our prospective
 relations with Sarawak; while the charter
 recently granted constitutes the Consul-
 General of Borneo an arbitrator in certain
 cases. These facts point strongly to the
 necessity for the efficient up-keep of Labuan,
 and the judicious selection of a Representa-
 tive for its administration, who would
 have to uphold our prestige and maintain
 our rights in and around the Bornean Seas.

Dutch reserve would have to be overcome
 on one side of the island; while Spanish in-
 struction would have to be opposed on the
 other. Labuan, however, possesses a claim
 in itself for higher consideration than is
 now accorded to it. This small island was
 evidently annexed in consequence of its
 coal deposits, the importance of which fuel
 to our enormous maritime interests in the
 East is too obvious for comment.

We would draw the attention of the authori-
 ties to the necessity for an occasional ex-
 amination of the weights used by the local
 vendors, and checking the wholesale de-
 cision frequently practised on those not in
 a position to test or exact the legal standard.
 The "pranks and the whims" of the
 "heavenly Chinese"—who lose no opportu-
 nity to turn a cent to his own advantage,
 and considers it a virtue to cheat a customer
 in doing so—have gained loud notoriety.
 He requires close attention everywhere,
 and here, perhaps, more than elsewhere.
 His ingenuity is proverbial, and a Govern-
 ment stamp is no deterrent to the exercise
 of his abilities in a direction where personal
 gain is expected. The only preventive to
 his nefarious doings is "short weight," is
 frequent inspections. We do not know
 whose particular duty it may be to attend
 to such things; if the Inspector of Weights
 does not possess full powers to prosecute;
 but we know that a good example or two
 is much needed in the interest of those
 who suffer from the fraud. In other places
 there is an official specially selected for the
 work, who ferrets out and follows up such
 frauds—the evils of false weight being there
 considered second only to adulterated food.

DURING the tenure of office of no other
 Administrator of this Colony have there
 been so many changes among the Officials
 in the Public Service than that of the pre-
 sent incumbent. Under the government
 of Sir John Pope Hennessy changes appear
 to be the order of the day—"transfers"
 the rule and permanency of office, as re-
 gards their holding, an exception. There
 can be no possibility of doubt that this
 mode of conducting the business of the
 Crown is reprehensible in the highest de-
 gree. It is detrimental to the best interests
 of the State, as it deprives a good many
 of his interest in his work; and the
 branch of the service with which he may
 have been connected loses the benefit of his
 acquired local knowledge and experience
 by the change. Furthermore, as an in-
 different servant is seldom benefited by a
 transfer, the action of those in authority,
 in this respect, unless where it is supported
 by the exigencies of the Government,
 might well be called into question—par-
 ticularly when these occurrences are fre-
 quent. There is a well-known doctrine
 called the law of expediency which appar-
 ently regulates these official changes in
 Hongkong. By change we imply any act,
 directly or indirectly, which necessitates
 any official vacating his *bona fide* situation
 permanently or temporarily. There must,
 evidently, be something rotten in "Dan-
 mark," when the operations of a Machiav-
 ellian precept have to be called into re-
 quisition by Government.

SUPREME COURT.

IN BANKRUPTCY.
 (Before the Hon. J. Russell, Acting Puisne
 Judge.)
 Thursday, Feb. 23.

COWANBEE RUMSTON, BANKRUPT.
 His Lordship, in discharging the Bank-
 rupt, said that he did not see that any good
 would be obtained from keeping back his
 discharge, but at the same time he thought
 that the Bankrupt had not come out of the
 matter very prettily, because he had neither
 produced the vouchers nor certificates at
 the proper time, a thing which all bank-
 rupts should do, in order to pass the neces-
 sary examination; and these were grave
 suspicions that there was fraud throughout
 the return; however, his Lordship did not
 see that he was obliged to do so, as if he
 came into liquidation in the same way, he
 might not get off in the same manner.
 —Discharged.

Police Intelligence.

(Before Frederick Stewart, Esq.)
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APOLINA PUENTES, unemployed seaman,
 was fined \$1, with the alternative of four
 days' imprisonment with hard labour, for
 acting in a suspicious manner, and on him
 was found a bowl, which was proved to
 belong to Yan Chiu Tai.
 He was sentenced to 21 days' imprison-
 ment with hard labour.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Tin Atin was charged with the unlaw-
 ful possession of a fowl on the 22nd inst.
 The defendant was apprehended by a const-
 able in Third Street as the constable observed
 him acting in a suspicious manner, and on
 him was found a fowl, which was proved to
 belong to Yan Chiu Tai.
 He was sentenced to 21 days' imprison-
 ment with hard labour.

Canton.

21st February.
 Your indefatigable correspondent of
 "Black House" has already furnished you
 with the "first dish" of the C. A. T. S.
 entertainment. To-night we enjoyed a
 good hearty meal, and I am sure the only
 discontent that could possibly exist in any-
 body's mind must have been that one can
 never have enough of a good thing, even
 when C. A. T. S. now! The effect of
 their mode of voice on this occasion was
 that every one among the audience purred
 with delight. Mr. Tchelnai is amongst us
 once more and seems to have been invi-

gorated by Western breezes, to judge from
 his powerful kicks as a wild Indian. But
 even a kick can be dignified, as King
Ponticus showed when prancing round in
 regal garb. Mr. Pionness, as a Diplomatist
 and man of the woods, acted well. Mr.
 Orphul Strong showed his might by yield-
 ing an axe in a manner that made one
 tremble. From this one can see his name
 is not an assumed one. Messrs Hart and
 Dennis were both in good form; the latter
 as the milk-and-water lover, the former as
 the dignified Prince. A pang of jealousy
 must have seized all the audience, who were
 allowed to indulge in such a frolic, when they
 saw Prince Corneil (Mr. Dennis) win the
 affections of the sweet-voiced and charm-
 ingly-pretty *Jelly* (Mr. Winslow). The Hon-
 orable showed her fair face before a
 Hongkong audience. Princess Toto
 (Miss Rhona)—the prima donna of the Can-
 ton stage—looked so well that several of
 the audience were heard to say in an
 undertone, "I love her!" Her looks were
 well accompanied by good acting and sing-
 ing. Of the *Prisoner*, Mr. Fossil, it may be
 said he looked to perfection the untutored
 villain he was supposed to be; and of
Baron Jaquier, Mr. Bleupierre, that he
 looked four or five brigands wrapped into
 one. The scenery and costumes were ex-
 ceedingly well got up, and in the 3rd act
 the scene was so well painted that the au-
 dience called M. Baptista before the cur-
 tain to make his bow. The C. A. T. S.
 are to be highly congratulated on their
 performance of "Princess Toto." If they
 always acted in the manner they have done
 to-night, success cannot fail to continue to
 attend all their undertakings.

China.

TIENTSIN.

January 26.
 You will doubtless have heard of a some-
 what important action taken at a special
 meeting of the Laureaters of the British
 Settlement on the 24th, at which it was
 decided to levy heavier wharfage-duties on
 Chinese-owned goods coming in foreign
 vessels with a view to the use of the income
 by the Chinese authorities in opening a
 new road to the native city, and a Band,
 from the village of Ma-chia-k'ang, just above
 the Settlement, to the Yamen of the Govern-
 ment-General. This gives us a glimpse of the
 Chinese critics of the Chinese Govern-
 ment. The latter enter into heartily, and the
 action of the Laureaters will furnish a
 fund for the undertaking can be helped
 by the Chinese. Wharfage-duties, as hitherto
 collected, are foreign goods only, have seldom
 exceeded 3,000. The present plan is to
 collect at the first rate of 10% of the
 tariff. It is estimated that as the rate of the
 port now amounts to some 27,000,000 the
 wharfage-duties alone would reach the
 handsome sum of 2,700,000. This is it
 arranged to divide between the British
 and French Settlements and the Chinese as
 follows:—British and French Settlements
 1,000,000; and the Chinese 1,700,000. The
 Band is for the larger gets 3,000, and the
 latter 2,500. The remaining 21,000 is
 turned over to the Chinese—although some-
 what more than their fair share—for the
 improvement above. The plan will tend to
 benefit the port greatly. The Laureaters
 will not act as a body, but the new
 band will be an advantage by facilitating
 commerce. The great difficulty will be in
 indemnifying riparian owners and the
 Chinese must manage on their own plan.
 It is much that they are willing to under-
 take it. The income from wharfages is ex-
 pected to pay the interest on the sum which
 the Chinese would have to borrow to carry
 this motion was carried in a full meeting
 with no dissenting voice.
 At the same meeting a proposition was
 brought forward to allow a proposed Gas
 Company to lay pipes in the settlement and
 to light the streets, at a cost not to exceed
 that paid by the Shanghai Municipality.
 Mr. Tong King-shing is friendly to the pro-
 posed plan, and will take on many of the
 300 shares at 100 each, as a ruinous
 otherwise undeposed of. He has already
 authorized the Mining Co. to subscribe for
 a large number of shares. The China
 Merchants Co. will do the same. Many in
 the community will subscribe as soon as a
 defined plan is submitted. It was finally
 decided to empower the Municipal Council
 to make such arrangements as they may
 deem best with a properly constituted Gas
 Company, with the limitation on the price
 already named. Some general estimates of
 expense have been prepared, and the
 friends of the scheme are confident of
 success. Others think that gas will find it
 hard to supplant the relatively inexpensive
 kerosene, especially as the number of con-
 sumers in a port like Tientsin will be
 absolutely limited. The Kai-ping coal is
 said to be of excellent quality for this
 purpose, as shown by the results already re-
 reached at the Kai-ping mines, where the gas-
 making machinery is far from completed
 as yet.

A great deal of dissatisfaction is daily ex-
 pressed with the Government. The
 tariff on newspapers, parcels and
 books from one country to another, in pro-
 ceeding year to year 2 cents per oz. (an in-
 crease of 400 per cent) is felt to be a grievous and
 unnecessary burden. In the old days of
 the heavy mail, we were at least allowed the
 option of not subscribing. Under the new
 system, as the rate is cut off, and every-
 thing is forced upon the person to whom it is
 addressed, it is not. The hardship of
 this is seen in numerous cases. Non-resi-
 dents—in one case a gentleman living in
 the province of Siam—are taxed to an
 amount positively unheard of, 12s. 18s. for
 a single package, \$50 in another instance, for
 a single mail. Why should there be a dis-
 tinction between those who are not com-
 munit in the world that ought to put up
 with such exactions, without remonstrance.
 Cheap postage becomes a mere mockery
 when the delivery of a single mail from
 Shanghai to Tientsin not only costs more
 than all the postage from the ends of the
 earth to Shanghai, but literally more than
 the subscription price of all the books of the
 surest way to make reform odious is to
 commit abuses under cover of its name.
 The presentation of the first month's bills
 was the signal for a chorus of intense disgust
 which is not lessened as mails continue to be
 delivered, with due bills at the rate of several
 dollars per diem.
 The winter is not cold. There is much
 sickness, especially among children, and
 there have been two deaths within a week.
 The Foreign Cemetery is rapidly filling up,
 and should be at once increased in area.
 A monument to the soldiers who died
 or were killed in the military movements
 of 1859, attending the occupation of Tien-
 tsin, has recently been completed, and
 erected in the Cemetery. It is a sturdy struc-
 ture to the brave men who were forgotten for

a long time—then apocryphally remem-
 bered—and afterwards again lost sight of.
 Last year such places as could be discovered
 were dug up, placed in a poor coffin, and
 reinterred.
 The absence of a British war-ship is a
 new thing here in winter. Is this the
 ultimate point of a "weak foreign policy?"
 No special timidity is to be observed, how-
 ever, on the part of British subjects, ex-
 cept when called upon to "register" as per
 Order in Council.—N. C. Daily News.

Hongkong Races, 1882.

FIRST DAY.

THURSDAY, Feb. 22.

Stewards.—His Excellency Sir John Pope
 Hennessy, K.C.M.G.; His Excellency Lt.
 General Donnan; Commodore Cuning-
 ham; Lieut.-Colonel Geddes, 27th Hun-
 tingtons; The Hon. P. Ryrie; The Hon.
 P. B. Johnson; A. Coxon, Esq.; H. Hop-
 kins, Esq.; H. de G. Forbes, Esq.; W.
 Jackson, Esq.; F. D. Sassoon, Esq.; W.
 H. F. Darby, Esq.
 H. J. H. Tripp, Esq., Clerk of the Course.

More favourable weather could hardly
 have been wished than that which has
 graced this meeting, which like all out-
 door amusements requires sunshine and no
 rain. The meeting was patronized by
 as large an assemblage as has been present
 in any previous year. Although somewhat
 cold the air was just sufficiently bracing to
 make spectators enjoy themselves. It was
 noted that there were a larger number of
 ladies present than last year, owing prob-
 ably to the brightness of the weather.
 Among the visitors were His Excellency
 the Governor, Sir John Pope Hen-
 nessy, H. E. Lieut-General Donnan,
 and other officials, civil and other, connected
 with the Colony. The races excited as
 much interest on this, the first day, as at
 any former meeting. No doubt, if the
 weather continues as it is at present, they
 will attract a large assemblage to-morrow,
 as the second day always attracts more
 interest than any other. Four of the races,
 out of the eight, have been credited to Mr.
 Gordon's stable. Mr. A. Coxon and Hon.
 P. Ryrie acted as starters; Mr. Sheppard
 was the Judge; and Mr. Hopkings officiated
 at the scales: while the Clerk of the
 Course (Mr. H. J. H. Tripp) was here,
 there and everywhere.

1.—THE WONG-NEI-CHONG STAKES, for
 China, Manila and Japan Ponies.
 Weight for inches. Entrance \$5, with
 \$75 added. Half-a-mile.
 Gordon's *First Comet*, 12st. 11lb. (Brandt), 1
 St. Andrew's *Troquois*, 10st. 12lb. (Allan), 2
 Gordon's *Second Vulture*, 11st. 11lb. (Essex), 3
 Grammont's *Delavard*, 11st. 11lb. (Major
 Hamilton), 4
 Paul's *Sunlight*, 10st. 9lb. (Hutchings), 5
 Monia's *Teddard*, 11st. 11lb. (Hutchings), 6
 After several ineffectual attempts to get
 away—in one of which *Troquois* made a
 bolt of it round the course and could not
 be hauled up, thus doubtless damaging his
 chances—the ponies started well together.
Troquois held the first position until nearing
 the Grand Stand; when *First Comet*, well
 held in hand by Brandt, strode to the front,
 and after some sharp racing, landed a
 winner by a short head. *Second Vulture*
 a good third, half a length behind *Troquois*.
 The pace was not so fast as that of last
 year, being one second more (004) than the
 time on the previous occasion. Mr. Gor-
 don declared to win, and his prognostica-
 tions were verified, he having been fortu-
 nate enough to take two places.

2.—THE ASHLEY CUP, value \$150,—pre-
 sented by F. D. Sassoon, Esq., for
 China, Manila and Japan Ponies.
 Entrance \$5. Weight for inches.
 One mile.
 Grammont's *Stratpuffin*, 10st. 12lb.
 (Hutchings), 1
 Paul's *Shamrock*, 10st. 12lb. (Reynell), 2
 Henry's *Rosella*, 11st. 11lb. (Ogle), 3
 Paul's *Gold Bird*, 10st. 12lb. (Nichols), 4
 Gordon's *East Wind*, 11st. 11lb. (Brandt), 5
 Gordon's *Lord of the Isles*, 11st. 11lb. (Essex), 6
 Gordon's *Dunelm*, 11st. 11lb. (Lindsay), 7
 The seven ponies who appeared to con-
 test this race went away together without
 any difficulty. *Stratpuffin* took the lead at
 once, and under the hand of the favourite
 jockey, Hutchings, maintained his position
 until the finish, very closely followed by
Shamrock, under Reynell. The winning horse
 in this race had to make a great effort to
 keep his place. *Rosella* came in third with-
 out the slightest appearance of fatigue, and

indeed throughout the race the ponies ap-
 peared to vary their original positions very
 little. The time (2min. 11sec.) of this race,
 as in the past, was greater than that of the
 previous year—which was perhaps attribut-
 able to the condition of the course, as the
 ponies were mounted and ridden in good
 style.

3.—THE HONGKONG DEBY, Sweepstakes
 of \$20 each, half forfeit if declared on
 or before day of closing Entries, with
 \$100 added for 1st Pony, and \$50 for
 2nd. For all China Ponies *bona fide*
 Grifins at date of Entry (Saturday,
 26th January, 1882). First Pony 70
 per cent; Second, 20 per cent; Third,
 10 per cent. Weight 10st. 10lb. One
 mile-and-a-half.

St. Andrew's *Huntsman*, 10st. 10lb.
 (Ogle), 1
 Paul's *Huntsman*, 10st. 10lb. (Nichols), 2
 Gordon's *Huntsman*, 10st. 10lb. (Brandt), 3
 Paul's *Sirocco*, 10st. 10lb. (Reynell), 4
 St. Andrew's *Craftsman*, 10st. 10lb.
 (Allan), 5
 Kerfoot's *Bavarian*, 10st. 10lb. (Hut-
 chings), 6
 The above-named grifins got away well
 together; the two first, taking the lead
 shortly after the first start, maintained
 their place throughout the race. *Sirocco*
 at the outset made the pace, but dropped
 off before the second round; when *Hunts-
 man* and *Huntsman* took first place
 together; closely followed by *Huntsman*
 and *Bavarian*, also side by side. The race,
 which was somewhat exciting, finished in

what at first seemed to be a dead heat; but
 Mr. St. Andrew, who had declared best to
 win, landed his fine griffin a winner by a
 short head. Time, 3min. 21½sec.

4.—THE INKILLING CUP, value \$250,—
 presented by the Officers of the 1st
 Battalion Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers
 for China, Manila and Japan Ponies.
 Weight for inches. Previous winners
 at this Meeting allowed 7lbs. En-
 trance \$10. Second Pony to receive
 half the Entrance money. One round.

Gordon's *First Comet*, 12st. 11lb. (Brandt), 1
 Paul's *Shamrock*, 10st. 12lb. (Reynell), 2
 Paul's *Sunlight*, 10st. 9lb. (Nichols), 3
 A fine start was effected from the Grand
 Stand; and when passing the Bridge the
 ponies were in a string, led by *First Comet*.
 At the Black Rock *Shamrock* got up along-
 side the leader; and in the run down the
 hill, the places were almost unaltered.
 After passing the Village into the Straight,
 the two leaders were pretty severely push-
 ed; but the *Comet* came in a winner by
 half a length. *Sunlight* a bad third. Time,
 1min. 55 sec. The Garrison Cup was won
 by the same rider last year, on *Second Vi-
 olin*, in 1 min. 52½ sec.

5.—THE VALLEY STAKES, Sweepstakes of
 \$5 each, with \$100 added,—for Sub-
 scription Grifins only. Weight for
 inches. Three-quarters-of-a-mile.
 Grammont's *Shell</*

